

I am writing to ask that you reject the NAB's petition 04-160. I am an XM radio subscriber and I find their service to be many orders of magnitude more enjoyable and informative than broadcast radio in the Washington DC Metro Area. Please to not allow the NAB to block XM from broadcasting Traffic and Weather and other locally-oriented services.

The radio stations in DC are pathetic and so inundated with commercials that I hated every minute listening to them. Now that I pay \$9.95/month for XM I feel freed from the chains of commercial radio and I've experienced more forms of music than I knew existed.

Modern FM radio is pathetic and so homogenized by the ownership by a few companies like Clear Channel that it is pretty much worthless for everyone. Please do not take away my consumer choice by regulating what XM can broadcast on their pay service.

Sincerely,

-- Dr. Paul Ray